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Four To Retire This Summer 110 Years' Service At NSC

Four members of the faculty will retire from active service at Northwestern State at the end of the summer session. Albert George Alexander, Professor of English and Head of the Language Department; Harry L. Barr, Associate Professor of Biology; Professor Olive Long Cooper, Head of the Art Department; and Dr. Frederick Arthur Ford, Professor of Education, will have completed a total of 110 years of service to Northwestern State College when they retire this summer. Mr. Alexander, with 35 years to his credit, came to the college in 1918. Professors Barr, Cooper, and Ford have served the institution since 1928.

Mr. Alexander received his early training in Smyrna, his native land. He received a B. L. from International College in Smyrna in 1901. After coming to the States, he received his A. B. Degree from Doane College in 1907 and the M. A. Degree from George Peabody College for Teachers in 1931.

He had ten years' experience teaching high school and college English and public speaking prior to coming to the State Normal College in 1918. His principal hobbies are translating Greek into English, and playing Bridge.

HARRY L. BARR



Mr. Barr, a native of Indiana, received his A. B. Degree from Wabash College, Indiana. He did graduate work at University of Michigan in 1911 and 1912, and received the M. A. Degree from Wabash College in 1913. He later did graduate work at University of Illinois.

After serving as science teacher and high school principal from 1913 to 1926, Mr. Barr was Assistant in Botany in University of Illinois from 1926 to 1928. He came to the College in 1928. When not at school, Mr. Barr will be found working with his shrubs and flowers.

Mrs. Cooper, a graduate of Normal in 1919, received her B. S. Degree at Columbia University in 1925 and the M. A. Degree and diploma as supervisor of fine arts at Columbia University in 1926.

After teaching four years at her home town of Winfield, Mrs. Cooper was at University of Wisconsin, 1922-24, State Normal School of Indiana, Penna., 1924-1925, and Scarborough on Hudson, 1926-1928. She came to N. S. C. in 1928.

Her favorite pastime is painting and planning a beautification program for civic projects in and around Natchitoches.

Dr. F. A. Ford, a graduate of Normal in 1910, received the A. B. Degree at Louisiana State University in 1924, the M. A. and Ph.D. Degrees at George Peabody Col-

FLASH!

Demons Win Track Championship

Northwestern Demons won the Gulf States Conference track championship Saturday, May 9, at Ruston, by copping Louisiana Tech 87½ points to 77. In third place was Southwestern with 73, followed by Southeastern with 41, Louisiana College 19½ and McNeese with 2.

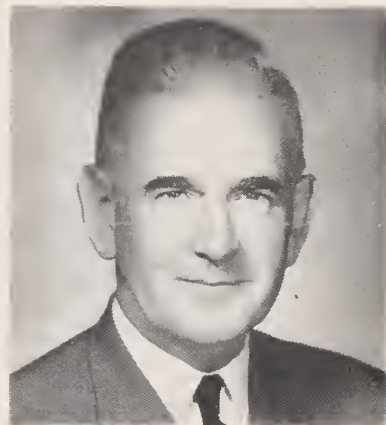
Commencement Friday, May 29 Dr. Grant To Deliver Address

Louisiana's new director of institutions, Dr. Edward D. Grant, will be the commencement speaker at the spring graduation exercise.

Seventy-eight graduating seniors and three students receiving three-year diplomas in nursing will hear Dr. Grant at 8:00 P. M., May 29, in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Born in Glasgow, Scotland, Dr. Grant came to the United States when 12 years of age. He served as

DR. EDWARD GRANT



infantry lieutenant in World War I. He received his Bachelor's and Doctor's Degree from Austin College, and his Master's Degree from George Peabody College.

He came to Baton Rouge from Richmond, Va., where he had served 18 years as Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church.

The Baccalaureate sermon will be Sunday evening, May 24, at eight o'clock and the Senior Day Program will be held at 11:00 A. M. Friday, May 29. All pro-

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FRED A. FORD



lege for Teachers in 1926 and 1931, respectively.

He was principal of DeQuincy High School for three years before being named assistant superintendent and supervisor of classroom teaching for Calcasieu Parish in 1913, a position he held until 1928, at which time he came to Northwestern State.

While here at the College, Dr. Ford has served in many capacities. He has, at various times, served as Dean of the College, Principal of the Training School, Director of Teacher Training, and Professor of Education, the position he holds at the present time.

Dr. Ford is a lover of bees and produces quite a bit of honey. Keeping up with his hives of bees and tending flower and vegetable gardens are his main hobbies. Recently, he has added the raising of quail and pheasants to his list of avocations.

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FOOTBALL SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED; HOMECOMING SET FOR NOV. 7

The schedule for the Demon football team for the fall of 1953 calls for eight games, according to Head Coach Turpin. Four of the games will be played on the local gridiron and four will be played away from home. The schedule calls for games with the same teams as were played last season with the exception of Mississippi Southern, which does not appear on the schedule.

In announcing the schedule, Coach Turpin suggested the game with Northeast Louisiana State College of Monroe be designated as "Homecoming Game." The suggestion was approved by the Athletic Council and later by the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association.

The schedule is as follows: September 19, Central Oklahoma State at Natchitoches; September 26, Lamar Tech of Beaumont at Natchitoches; October 3, McNeese State College at Lake Charles; October 10, Louisiana College at Alexandria; October 17, Open; October 24, Louisiana Polytechnic Institute at Shreveport; October 31, Southeastern Louisiana College at Natchitoches; November 7, Northeast Louisiana State College at Natchitoches (HOMECOMING); and November 14, Southwestern Louisiana Institute at Lafayette.

Graduation—

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grams will be in Fine Arts Auditorium.

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Graduates Listed

Bachelor of Arts

John B. Eichler, Shreveport; Nalbro C. Frazier, Natchitoches; Leland A. Langridge, Jr., Shreveport; Don F. Phillips, Glenmora; Lucian P. Spataro, Bossier City; Lowell E. Starns, Crowley; Dorothy W. Allison, Saline; Lonnie J. Austin, Winnfield; Fannie Belka, Gulfport, Miss.; Bernice Blankenship, Pleasant Hill; Mary Edna Clark, Alexandria; Mrs. Theresa J. Chapman, Pleasant Hill; Sarah Cutrer, Robeline; Oene Annette Dailey, Extention.

Sue Ann Dupree, Coushatta; Mattie Sue Gahagan, Natchitoches; Barbara Jean Hicks, Port Sulphur; Mrs. Beulah Mae Foster Holt, Natchitoches; Virginia Kline, Shreveport; Claire Lucius, Florine; Mrs. Jacqueline T. Mason, Natchitoches; Kathryn Morgan,

Cloutierville; Glynn Ellen Pennington, Shreveport; Evelyn Pyle, Shreveport; Thelma Ruth Stephens, Leesville; Lula Thomason, Mangham, and Dorothy Lynn Thompson, Sikes.

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Bachelor of Science

Arthur E. Chauvin, Jr., Ferriday; James L. Gresham, Mooringsport; William L. McDermott, Jr., Natchitoches; Ben O'Neal, Shreveport; John C. Osborne, Alexandria; Kermit W. Seaman, Natchitoches; William D. Sibley, Natchitoches; Joseph A. Sterkx, Alexandria; Melba Stewart, Robeline; James E. Yergler, Cissna Park, Ill.; Elwyn Adams, Belmont; Mary Jo Brosset, Derry; Lawrence Houston Davis, Shreveport; Marjorie E. Albert, Thibodaux; Patsy Ruth Alexander, Sterlington; Michael Bellipanni, Jr., New Orleans; Fon L. Billard, Robeline; John C. Buck, Kinder; Victor W. Chase, Pleasant Hill; Charles H. Chauvin, Ferriday; Betty Sue Choate, Natchitoches; Winnie Dowden, Cypress; Malchus R. Eaves, Natchitoches; Johnnie C. Emmons, Mansfield; Marion Finuf, Jr., Natchitoches; Hugh R. Gilliland, Rayville; Johnny H. Haynes, Springhill; Johnny P. Johnston, Benton; Benjamin E. Martin, Mora; Virginia Ann Metcalf, Shreveport; John Butler Mears, Springhill; C. A. Owens, Jr., Tullos.

Carolyn M. Price, Mansfield; Leary B. Ratcliff, Hardy N. Rose, Shreveport; Sara J. Shell, Winnfield; Samuel J. Sibley, Natchitoches; Edward O. Sill, Shreveport; Beth Trammel, Vowell's Hill, and James Turner, Jr., Springhill.

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Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Billie L. Alford, Shreveport; Charlene Anne Blum, Morgan City; Dorothy Canafax, Alexandria; Helen Elrod, Sulphur; Rosa Mae Godwin, Jonesville; Emma Marie Hebert, Abbeville; Patsy Alice Henry, Troup, Texas; Gay New, Lafayette; Gloria Ann Paris, Mansfield; Esther Remont, Cut Off, and Gloria Ann Schumaker, Monroe.

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Three-Year Diploma in Nursing

Lula Mae McNeal, Effie; Joann McWilliams, Ringgold, and Mrs. Farah T. LaGrone Riddle, Shreveport.

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Here 'n There

Manager of Field Engineering

Carrol G. Killen, Jr., A.B. '38, of Bennington, Vermont, has recently been named Manager of Field Engineering of the Sprague Electric Company of North Adams, Massachusetts, by Julian K. Sprague, president of the company.

In his new position, Killen will head up all training and direct all field engineering for the nation's largest manufacturer of electric condensers, being in charge of personnel at Washington, D. C., Dayton, Ohio, Culver City, Okla., as well as North Adams, Mass.

Mr. Killen was chief application engineer of the company before his recent promotion. Prior to that time he served as radio engineer for the Signal Corps Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, N. J.

He did his graduate work at Louisiana State University. A member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Killen is now serving as a civilian member of the subpanel on capacitors of the Research and Development Board of the Department of Defense.

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Employees of Public Welfare

Recent additions as employees in the Department of Public Welfare of the state include three former students and graduates of NSC who are working as welfare visitors. These are Mrs. Wilkie Lee Forrest Cutrer of Kentwood, who is working with the Livingston Parish office; J. Homer Coleman of Newellton, who is employed in Tensas Parish; and Mrs. Blondell Horn Dykes of Mansfield, employed by DeSoto Parish Welfare Office.

Miss Patricia Bishop, A.B. '51, of Baton Rouge, has recently been employed as Child Welfare Trainee in Lafayette Parish, while Jack B. Wise, A.B. '49, of Natchitoches, has been added to the administrative staff of the Department at Baton Rouge.

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General Manager

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Waterhout, B.S. '49, were visitors on the campus recently. They were on their way to visit points of interest along the Gulf coast. Mr. Waterhout is now General Manager of the Crown Manufacturing Company of St. Louis, Missouri.

Prior to accepting a position with the Crown Manufacturing

Company, Mr. Waterhout taught industrial arts at Byrd High School in Shreveport.

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Traveling Musician

Sergeant Gene Flores of the U. S. Air Forces, 2nd Air Force Band, Barksdale Field, was a visitor on the campus last month. He had just returned from a 26,000 mile tour, during which he had visited all 2nd Air Force bases in the U. S.

Gene's group are anticipating an extensive tour of the Strategic Air Command bases in Europe.

The band is one of the outstanding musical organizations of the Air Forces and is in great demand for concerts and entertainment.

Flores was leader of the Demonaires for three or four years while a student on the campus. As a friend of his said, "Music just comes natural with Gene."

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Campus Visitors

Coming back to the campus for the first time since graduating from the institution were Mrs. William Bagwell and Mrs. J. A. O'Neal of Choudrant, and Mrs. Claudine Richmond Robinson of Bastrop.

Mrs. Bagwell is the former Velma O'Neal, and Mrs. O'Neal is the former Josie Campbell.

These former students reported quite a few changes in the appearance of the campus since they were last here, but were delighted to see the growth and beauty of the campus.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Burch of McComb, Mississippi, were visitors on the campus just recently. They are both former students, having last attended in 1924 and 1925 respectively. Mrs. Burch is the former Viola Sibley of Bogalusa, and Mr. Burch is originally from Franklinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Burch have a son, Dalton R. Burch, Jr., a graduate of Mississippi Southern, who has just been awarded one of the Rotary International fellowships for study in a foreign country. He will study in the British Isles.

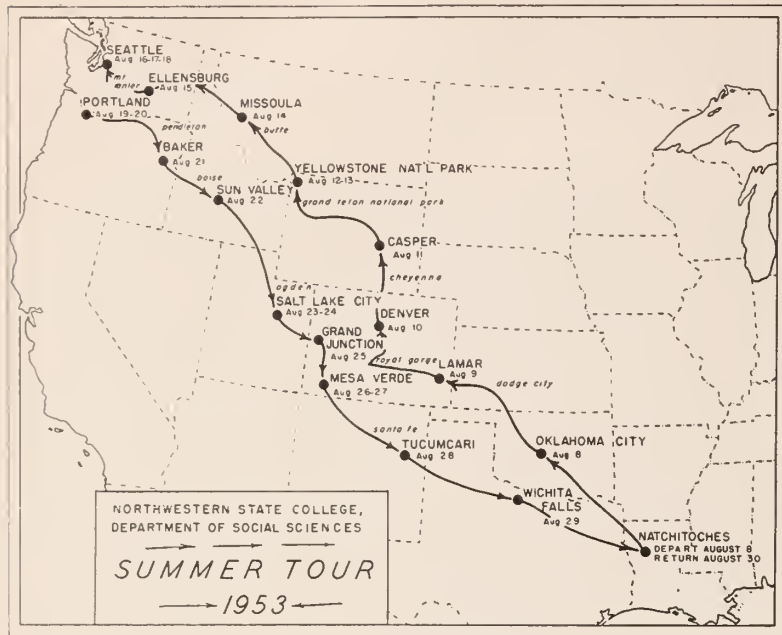
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Moves To Kansas

Mrs. A. E. Van Ness, Jr., has recently moved from Houma, Louisiana, to 5306 Eisenhower, Great Bend, Kansas, and asked that her mailing address be changed immediately so she would not miss any issues of the *Alumni Columns*.

Mrs. Van Ness is the former Mary Frances Edgerton, B.S. '45, of Coushatta. She has two children, Madge and Allan Edward, who are three and two years of age, respectively.

SUMMER EDUCATIONAL TOUR WILL COVER 6,000 MILES IN 22 DAYS



The Northwestern State College annual summer educational tour this year will swing in a wide loop up through some of the nation's most colorful regions from Natchitoches to Seattle, Washington, and return, covering some 6,000 miles and lasting almost a month, N. S. C. social science officials announced recently.

This is the third year such tours have been available to students, teachers, and others interested in a close look at the United States, with principal geographical and

historical spots of interest getting the emphasis.

The tour will leave Natchitoches at 6 A. M., August 8, on a modern air-conditioned Trailways "Silverliner," and will return August 30.

Designed primarily for teachers and students of geography, but welcoming any interested persons, the tour will be conducted this year by George A. Stokes and LeRoi Eversull, assistant professors in the N. S. C. Social Science Department.

Academic credit of six semester hours may be obtained for the tour if the traveler desires. The conductors said the cost of the tour is \$225. This will take care of transportation, lodging and tips for 22 nights in hotels, planned sightseeing, insurance, registration fee for the courses, and special entertainment arranged by the tour company. The cost of meals is not included in this rate.

Scenic highlights of the trip include the Royal Gorge, Pike's Peak, and the Garden of the Gods in Colorado; Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks; the rich Yakima Valley of Washington; Mt. Rainier National Park; shipyards of Tacoma, Washington, and Portland, Oregon; the Columbia River scenic route; Sun Valley, Idaho; the varied sights of Salt Lake City, Utah; and Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado.

If you want to make this delightful summer trip in comfortable conveyances through the most scenic and colorful section of the great western segment of the United States, and at a reasonable price, the conductors of this tour urge you to make reservations as

Cupid's Doings

MISS CAROLYN McLEAN, B.S. '52, of Homer, and Donald Louis Steelman, First Lieutenant, U. S. Air Forces, of Halls, Tennessee, were married at the First Presbyterian Church of Homer on March 14.

The bride is physical education teacher at Bossier City High School, and Lt. Steelman, a graduate of University of Tennessee, is stationed at Barksdale Field.

Miss Elaine Woodruff of Denver, Colorado, and LT. HENRY L. HAND, former student, of Harrisonburg, were married on January 25. The young couple will make their home in Houston, Texas, while Lt. Hand is stationed at Ellington Field. He was commissioned as radar observer at James Connally Air Force Base, Waco, Texas, early in January.

MISS DOROTHY ANNE CORRY of Arizona, and ROBERT GATES, B.S. '51, of Elmer, were married in the Arizona Methodist Church on March 25. Gates, a member of the U. S. Air Forces, is presently attending officer candidate school at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

MISS EVELYN GANDY, B.S. '51, of Many, and Chris G. Noles, of Heflin, were married on February 22 at the First Baptist Church of Many, the Rev. O. A. Youngblood officiating. The couple will reside at Many.

MISS ELVA SUE TUCKER, B.S. '52, Haughton, and Jack Kirkland Kimball, Jr., of Edgerly, were married on May 2 at the Haughton Methodist Church. The bride is a member of the Vinton High School faculty.

MISS MAMIE INEZ BOWMAN of Natchitoches, and Mr. D. T. Tarlton, also of Natchitoches, were married on April 2, 1953, at the Trinity Episcopal Church of Natchitoches. Mr. and Mrs. Tarlton are both members of the faculty at the College. Mrs. Tarlton is Associate Professor of English and Mr. Tarlton is Associate Professor of Economics. The bride is an alumna of the College.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cheshire, 609 Seventh Street, Jonesboro,

quickly as possible. Reservations may be made by writing either Mr. Stokes or Mr. Eversull at Northwestern State College.

have announced the arrival of a son, Gustave Rush, on March 6. Mr. and Mrs. Cheshire are both graduates of Northwestern in 1935. Mrs. Cheshire is the former Enid Phillips of Newellton.

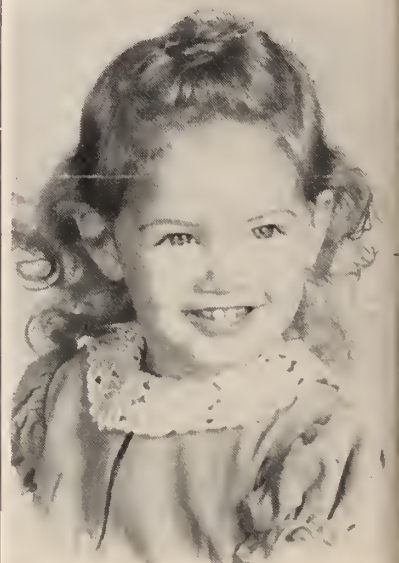
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth N. Burgess of Oakdale announce the arrival of their second daughter, Paula Abington Burgess, on Friday, February 13. Katie Jane, their other daughter, is four years old.

Mrs. Burgess is the former Alice Collier, B. S. '45.

Russell "Rusty" Bizette, Jr., age 8, proudly announces the arrival of a little siser, Justine Lambert Bizette, on December 4, 1952, at Mercy Hospital, Miami, Florida. The happy parents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell L. Bizette, Sr., who live at 8463 S. W. 68th Street, Miami 43, Florida. Mrs. Bizette is the former Justine Ruth Lambert, B. S. (Home Economics), 1942. Mr. Bizette is employed by Pan-American World Airways in Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wicker, Jr., of 405 First East Street, Haynesville, announce the arrival of a daughter, Nancy Dianne Wicker, on January 26, at Homer Memorial Hospital. The mother is the former Maxine Squyres, A.B. '47, of Lisbon.

MISS SUSAN PARKS



Little Miss Susan Parks is the two and one-half year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parks, P. O. Drawer 90, Oakdale.

Mr. Parks is the band director of Oakdale High School, and Mrs. Parks teaches piano in her home. Both Mr. and Mrs. Parks graduated from NSC in January, 1949. Mrs. Parks is the former Alma Collier.

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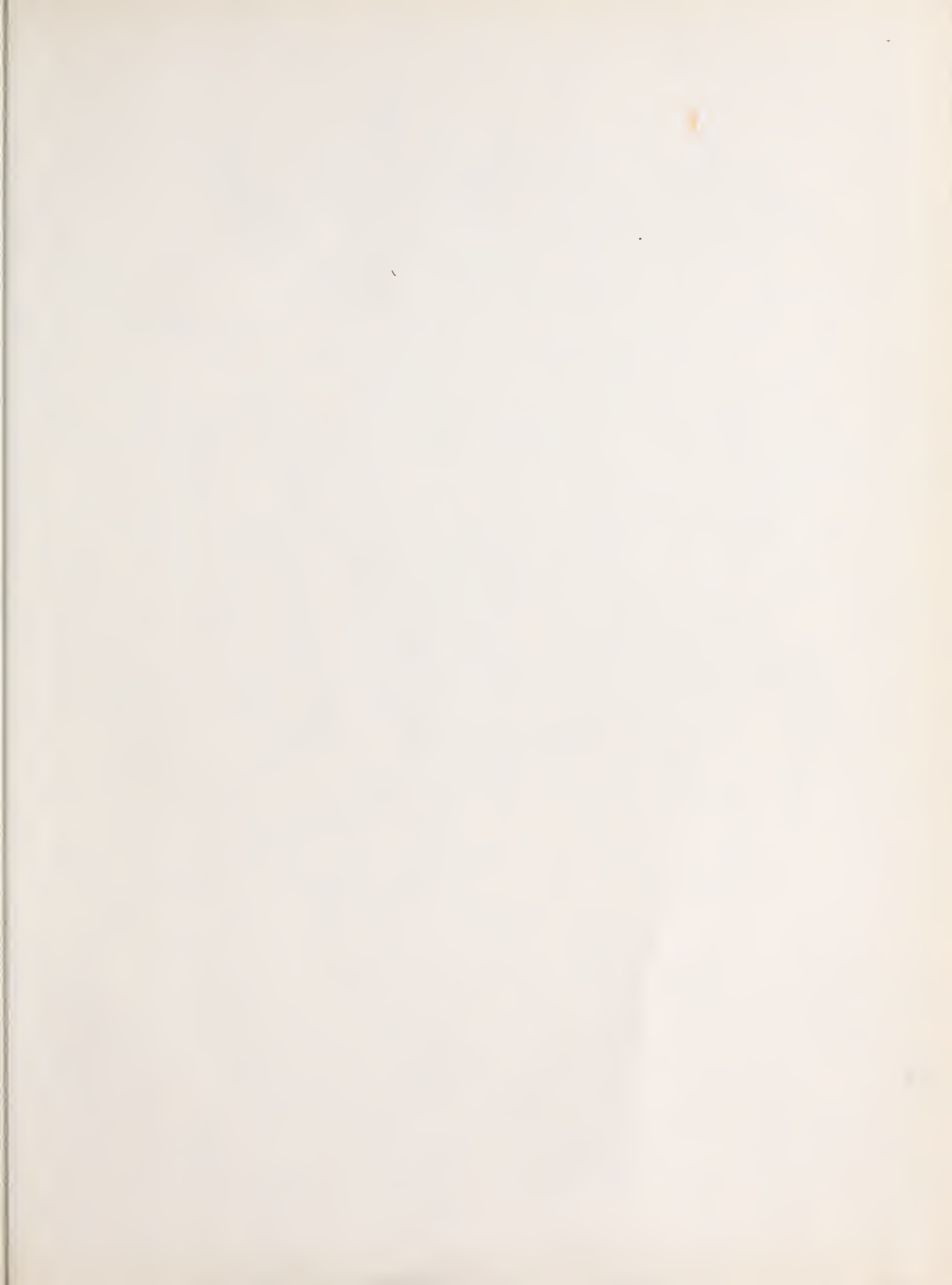
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